

Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Company Information

Board of Management, Non-Executive Directors:

Chair

Derrick Dunkley

Vice Chair/Senior Independent Director

Tony Price

Board Members

Stephen Philpott
Jane Newsome
Andrew Cooke
Anne Dokov
Hannah Buckley
Julie Haywood
Paul Maher

Theresa Pass - from 1st April 2025 Paul Robinson - from 1st April 2025 Kevin Lowry - from 1st April 2025

Executive Directors:

Alison Sargent (Chief Executive)
Gerard Riley (Executive Director of Housing and Support)

Registered Office:

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The Regulator of Social Housing Registration Number: LH 1388

Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 Registration Number: 20853R

External Auditor: Beever and Struthers

Internal Auditor: RSM Internal Audit

Bankers: Santander

Lloyds Bank Barclays

Lenders: Triodos Bank NV

Natwest (Orchardbrook)

Charity Bank

Solicitors: Anthony Collins Solicitors LLP

Irwin Mitchell Solicitors

Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited Chair's Statement

It has been another year of change, opportunities and challenge for Adullam and the wider housing sector. I would begin by thanking my board colleagues for their dedication, support and continued loyal service recognising the diligent work and commitment of all the colleagues across Adullam who day in, day out provide extremely valuable services to the tenants, residents and service users (TRS's) we serve. This year we have supported 2481 people which is a record figure and represents the excellent relationships with have with our Local Authority partners and our ability to demonstrate compliance and excellent outcomes via competitive tendering processes and negotiated extensions to our work. The cost-of-living increases have seen many people struggling to afford essentials and having to make difficult decisions, our priority this year has been to minimise the impact of these external factors for our TRS's and staff as much as possible.

Whilst we look back at a year of change including a new Government and the turbulent and challenging operating environment we have responded with a commitment to the increased regulatory and statutory requirements we rightly have as a Registered Provider. We welcomed the new Consumer Standards and Tenant Satisfaction Measures (TSM's) introduced by the regulator of Social Housing. Adullam support these standards and are committed to listening, learning, being held to account and being open and transparent with our customers. We have continued to develop the quality of our Ofsted Registered Children's Services this year with the Registered Service Manager undertaking Regulation 32 Quality of Support inspections to assess performance in relation to the Quality Standards set out within the regulatory framework. We look forward to overcoming the challenges of the new year to keep delivering for the people that need support and assistance with safe, reliable and responsive services to live the best lives possible. I am confident that we are well equipped to meet the challenges ahead by illustrating our determination to live our values and mission.

The Board of Management are strong advocates for the work of Adullam and by working closely with the senior team we have ensured we perform well and consider the best way forward for the people we serve now and in the future. I am proud of what we have achieved over the last year, producing a robust set of results that demonstrate the strength of our organisation and the ongoing commitment to deliver quality results. Although we are pleased to have made progress in many areas, we will develop robust plans to build on that good practice across all areas. Our self-assessment against the consumer standards and subsequent action planning is a key tool that has been developed this year. This illustrates our structured approach to evaluating, evidencing and improving adherence to the standards. Three new Board members were appointed this year with skill sets that complement our existing members and provide succession planning, I welcome them and look forward to working with them in 2025/26.

We have achieved the outcomes we set out to achieve in our corporate strategy and know that strategy will form the basis for the ambition ahead. Putting our customers first across all our operations remains our key strategic priority and alongside this we are committed to identifying opportunities for strategic growth of our services. Despite the national and global issues faced by our sector we have found ways to continue delivering quality services and investing in our homes spending £263k on home improvements and £758k on repairs and maintenance.

I have been pleased to see resident satisfaction improving through the Tenant Satisfaction Measures with indicators increasing across all measure compared to last year. Overall Satisfaction with service 78.67% (sector median 69.4%) Landlord treat tenants fairly with respect 86.64% (sector median 76.3%) satisfied that their home is safe 85.71% (sector median 76.1%) Although we recognise that we compare favourably with the sector and we have made progress listening and acting on tenants concerns and priorities there is much to be done to improve services and we have confidence the development of our Tenants Scrutiny panel this year and further developments planned in 2025/26 will ensure we achieve what our tenants are telling us is important to them in terms of their needs, wants and aspirations. The opinions of our customers are essential to future proofing our service provision and planning for change. Adullam recognises to deliver the best possible service and for residents to know they are truly valued and listened to a two-way relationship is essential.

The Annual Complaints Performance Report, a Self-Assessment Report and the Self-Assessment Form was published on our website with a submission made to the Housing Ombudsman on 17th June 2024 that evidenced our compliance with the HO Complaint Handling Code. Significant progress has been made this year in terms of complaints handling and we received substantial assurance from our internal auditors in February 2025.

Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited Chair's Statement

This year we have strengthened our financial position which has enabled us to make further progress across several areas aligned to our corporate strategy. We believe our growth plans will succeed by us focusing on markets we know and the operational geographies where we have established relationships and partnerships. A concentrated geography helps us to ensure we can run our housing and property management services effectively and efficiently at the same time as leveraging in social value through Adullam Social Enterprise which has seen an increase in successful grants this year to support services with social value, training, welfare and environmental projects.

We remain robust financially and have met our financial targets comfortably and most of our balanced scorecard key performance indicators. We continued this year to be strong in financial governance and how we manage risk. Through continued improvements in tenancy management, this year we have achieved our highest levels of rent collection and lowest void losses. This year we have re tendered with the support of Procurement for Housing and moved our Managed Service Provider for IT services and look forward to delivering the ambitious improvement plan with Wanstor Ltd. In 2025/26 the Housing Management system Pyramid 2 will be implemented across operations and finance.

It is important to acknowledge what a passionate and committed business Adullam is, driven by a strong social purpose and a clear vision of making a difference to the communities we serve. We do this by being honest and transparent in our work acknowledging when we can do better and making timely and informed decisions.

Derrick Dunkley, Chair

The Board of Management presents its Strategic Report with the financial statements for the year ending 31 March 2025.

Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited (Adullam) was founded by Walter Moore MBE in 1972. Since then, the organisation has developed and now supports people from vulnerable backgrounds across the Northwest, East and West Midlands, Derbyshire, South Yorkshire, and North Wales regions.

As Adullam has a subsidiary company, (Adullam Social Enterprises CIC) the parent Board of Adullam exercises control and oversight of the governance and operations of their activities too.

Mission

Adullam's mission statement is: "Restoring hope and dignity through quality housing and support." Adullam works with young single homeless people, young people leaving care, those from offending backgrounds, vulnerable mothers and children, people recovering from drug and alcohol addiction, people living with enduring mental health issues and vulnerable families. Adullam aims to help people to access safe, comfortable accommodation and support them to go on to lead independent lives. A key part of "Restoring hope and dignity" is assisting service users to improve their employability and find opportunities to gain work and work experience.

Values and Behaviours

Adullam was formed for the benefit of the community by the late Walter Moore, as an expression of his Christian faith. The Association today continues that work as an expression of Christian faith in action. Our values at Adullam, and the expected behaviors that flow from them, were developed by the Board, service users and staff and we keep them under regular review.

Board Members are guardians of the Association's values. It is essential for the culture and well-being of the Association that the values are lived out in practice, because they impact upon the way that we behave towards one another, Tenants Residents and Service Users (TRS) and other stakeholders (Commissioners, partners, suppliers, Regulators, and friends of Adullam). Our values are:

- Valuing the Individual
- Integrity and Fairness
- Striving for Excellence

A cornerstone of our work across the Association is co-production, involvement, and engagement, we work with each person to rebuild a meaningful, valued and fulfilling life. We cannot succeed in this unless we work closely in partnership with the people we support. We continue to use our resources to pursue these priorities.

Governance Framework

Adullam is an exempt charity registered with the Financial Conduct Authority and registered with the Regulator of Social Housing as a Private Registered Provider. Adullam's governing instrument is a set of rules based upon the National Housing Federation's (NHF) 2015 Model Rules.

The Board considers the Regulatory standards and matters covered by the code and is a member of the National Housing Federation and endorses the 2020 NHF Code of Governance. Adullam is compliant with the requirements of the Code that are relevant to it as a small, registered provider of social housing. Adullam has rigorous governance arrangements which are audited regularly by our engaged firm of internal auditors and meets the reporting requirements of the Regulator of Social Housing.

It is a requirement of Ofsted Quality Standards Regulations (2023) under the Department of Education that providers of Semi-Independent and Supported Housing for Looked After Children and Care Leavers who are 16 and 17 years old are registered. Our properties are registered under three categories with Ofsted in line with the Regulations –

single occupancy, ring-fenced and non-ring-fenced. Our Statement of Purpose includes the ethos, core aims and functions, categories of supported accommodation on offer, services and facilities provided and the characteristics of the children supported have been developed and made available to stakeholders via our website.

Adullam currently have 10 registered properties under Ofsted regulations in 3 local authorities (Salford, Derbyshire and Leicestershire). In total these services offer a total capacity of 87 bed spaces, a newly appointed Head of Children's services is nominated Registered Service Manager and oversees all registered children's supported accommodation and provides leadership to Operational Managers in ensuring compliance with the standards.

The Board regularly reviews key strategic policies, procedures, terms of reference and the organisational structure to ensure that it has effective resources to deliver the business plan. The Board undertakes regular training, succession planning and appraisals to ensure a high level of individual and collective competency. This year saw three new Board members recruited via an open recruitment process to fill skill gaps when the tenure ends of three existing Board members in 2025/26. The Board continues to ensure that key corporate business plan objectives are developed through regular strategy days. The Board maintain a keen awareness of risk, performance, and delivery by reviewing the Risk Register and Risk Appetite, financial management accounts and performance against the business plan objectives via Balanced Scorecard KPI's. The Board has a good working relationship with the CEO and Senior Leadership Team.

The primary role of the Board of Adullam is to provide strategic leadership and direction, to ensure that the Association is financially viable, properly governed and properly managed. In addition, the Board's role is to carry out functions as set out in the Organisation's Rules, but it may delegate any of its powers under written terms of reference to its committees and/or officers.

The Board seeks to continually improve services for TRS's and stakeholders to ensure high quality and strategically relevant services meeting and exceeding expectations whilst providing good value for money. In June 2024 Adullam published the Tenant Satisfaction Measure outcomes via our website following a survey of 547 tenants in March 2024, a second survey was completed in February/March 2025 with results reported to Board in May 2025. Each of the TSMs illustrate a % increase on previous year results.

The Complaints and Feedback Policy was reviewed and updated in March/April 2025 in line with the RSM internal audit recommendations carried out in January 2025 which gave overall substantial assurance. Two minor amendments were actioned to ensure compliance against the audit. There have been 108 complaints, and 287 compliments received during the period from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025 (Q1-Q4). Data analysis shows that the number of complaints has decreased across all regions by 10% and the number of compliments has increased by 46%. Repair and communication related complaints have significantly decreased year to date from previous analysis. There was an opportunity to cross reference entrance and exit surveys to understand themes indicating areas of improvement for Operations, Housing and Asset Teams. Work and awareness training with staff regarding complaint handling has seen us being more responsive to requests and managing complaints before they escalate.

The Board of Adullam has overall responsibility for, and an oversight of, performance management and the internal control framework for the Association. The Board of Adullam delegate authority to the Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee (FARM) to deal with the detailed scrutiny of financial performance, external and internal audit, internal control, and risk management.

The Operations Committee ensures that the Association delivers on its operational work so to fulfil its regulatory obligations as well as its mission. An integral element of this Committee is the regular feedback from people who live within projects or receive services across the three regions. The meeting calendar is aligned to the consumer standard areas with each meeting themed accordingly.

The People Committee assists the Board in obtaining assurance that the Association's workforce strategies and policies are aligned with strategic aims and a performance culture where staff engagement, development and innovation is supported. They fulfil this by promoting excellence in staff wellbeing, identifying, and managing risks relating to staff and ensuring efficient and effective use of resources.

The Board of Adullam always adhere to acting in a way that they consider in good faith will be most likely to promote the success of the Association for the benefit of the people supported in the long term as well as the immediate need of our current TRS. To do this we pay regard to:

- The likely impact and consequences of decisions in the short and long term with social and financial returns clearly articulated.
- The interest of all stakeholders through working closely with and listening to issues raised by the people we support, our staff, our commissioners, regulators, suppliers, and customers.
- Understanding the impact of our services on our local and wider communities and the environment.
- Conducting our business to a high standard of conduct in terms of how our staff approach their work and the
 expectations from our partners and providers.

Diversity of Board Members

As part of the Board's approach to good governance, the Association has committed to the 'Diversity in the Boardroom' pledge, and by signing the pledge the Association is actively working towards creating a Board and Senior Leadership Team which reflects the diversity of people we work with.

<u>Gender</u>		<u>Age</u>		<u>Ethnicity</u>	
Female	4	26-40	1	People from ethnic minority groups	1
Male	5	41-64	6	White British	8
		65+	2		

Code of Governance and Regulatory Standards - Statement of Compliance

We recognise that an open, well informed, and diligent Board is an important part of effective risk management, governance, and internal control.

The Association is compliant with the NHF (2020) Code of Governance following a self-assessment.

The Adullam Homes Board set out how they are complying with the requirements of the Joint Complaint Handling Code published by the Housing Ombudsman and Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman via the agreed annual complaints performance and service improvement report presented by the nominated board member responsible for complaints. This and previous years versions are available on the Adullam website including the Annual Self-Assessment against the Code to ensure the Complaint Handling Policy remains in line with its requirements.

Within Adullam Homes, Complaints, Compliments and Comments are monitored weekly, monthly, and reported quarterly to SLT. An annual report is also completed by the Assistant Director of Quality & Assurance and submitted to the Operations Committee.

Adullam Homes also have in place a Complaints/Tracker Group which meets each quarter with key officers in attendance to discuss and monitor complaints performance. The Quality Team will send out monthly complaints reports to staff and ask for updates direct from managers on progress.

Adullam recognise our responsibilities as a Board to demonstrate to stakeholders and the Regulator that the Association is a going concern and fully complies with the Governance and Financial Viability Standard.

Board of Management

The Board of Management has ultimate responsibility for the Association. Its role is to lead, direct, control, scrutinise and evaluate the Association's work. This includes determining strategic direction and key policies, establishing, and overseeing control and risk management frameworks, assuring itself on the integrity of financial information and ensuring the organisation achieves its aims and objectives.

The Board remains accountable for all its functions; even those delegated to the Chair, Committees, individual directors, or senior staff, and therefore receives information about the exercise of delegated functions to enable it to maintain an effective governing body role. As Adullam has a subsidiary company, (Adullam Social Enterprises CIC) the parent Board of Adullam exercises control and oversight of the governance and operations of their activities too.

Board members (apart from the Chair of the Board) undertake an active role in the detailed scrutiny of key areas of the Association's work. Board members served on the following Committees and payment was made to the Chair and individual Board members as follows.

Board Member	Term	Committee Membership	Emoluments
Derrick Dunkley	2022	Chair of Board from 20 th September 2022	£6,400
Tony Price	2017	Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee (Chair) Vice Chair Board from 20 th September 2023	£4,250
Jane Newsome	2017	People Committee (Chair)	£2,792
Stephen Philpott	2016	Operations Committee (Chair)	£2,600
Andrew Cooke	2018	Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee	£2,600
Anne Dokov	2022	Operations Committee & People Committee	£2,600
Hannah Buckley	2022	Finance, Audit and Risk Management Committee	£2,600
Julie Haywood	2022	People Committee	£2,600
Paul Maher	2022	Operations Committee	£2,600

The Board has delegated authority to three Committees that operated during the year. Each has a term of reference, which is regularly reviewed by Board. A review of Governance this year agreed the revised Balanced Scorecard key performance indicators and which committee would receive assurance from SLT, respective performance reports and internal audit management actions. The Committees were:

Finance, Audit and Risk Management (FARM) Committee, Operations Committee and People Committee. The Committees provide detailed reports on required areas within their terms of reference, reporting back to Board on a regular basis.

The People Committee's role includes consideration of applications to membership of the Board, Committees, and subsidiary Boards.

Board Attendance - 2024 to 2025

Name of Board Member	Attended	Percentage of Meetings Attended
Derrick Dunkley	5/6	83%
Tony Price	6/6	100%
Jane Newsome	5/6	83%
Stephen Philpott	6/6	100%
Andrew Cooke	4/6	67%
Anne Dokov	6/6	100%
Julie Haywood	5/6	83%
Hannah Buckley	4/6	67%
Paul Maher	4/6	67%

Independent Committee Member	Committee
Alastair Baillie	Operations Committee
Colin Crabtree	Operations Committee

We would like to thank Board and Committee Members, staff, volunteers and supporters, contractors and partners for their hard work and support throughout this year. Their dedication has enabled us to continue to deliver our objectives and mission.

The Association has a recruitment and selection policy for new Board members and is committed to succession planning and maintaining a refreshment of Board Members. As part of good governance, the Association maintains a skill gap analysis and recruits based on required skills and expertise. Three new Board members were recruited in 2024/25 via an effective recruitment process led by Gatenby Sanderson with an emphasis on People, Operations and Finance expertise.

Financial Review of 2024/25

Eight Year Highlights	2024/25	2023/24	2022/23	2021/22	2020/21	2019/20	2018/19	2017/18
Financial Performance								
Turnover (£000)	18,790	16,838	14,435	13,755	12,107	10,806	10,848	9,837
Total comprehensive income (deficit) for the year (£000)	783	415	84	640	732	1,030	1,624	(956)
Financial return (%)	4.17	2.46	.58	4.65	6.05	9.53	14.97	(9.7)
Interest payable (£000)	140	136	55	48	50	52	54	63
Interest cover	6.35	3.82	2.33	14.40	15.86	20.77	31.03	(18.98)
Financial Position								
Housing Properties (cost) (£000)	26,563	26,378	26,351	26,007	24,532	24,082	23,701	23,538
Cash and cash equivalents (£000)	5,240	4,911	4,013	3,623	4,322	3,597	2,700	1,196
Net Current Assets (£000)	4,430	3,777	3,505	3,039	3,607	3,134	2,905	1,526
Current Ratio	2.54	2.38	2.76	2.63	2.78	2.70	3.66	1.82
Debt (£000)	1,846	1,814	1,854	898	942	984	1,023	1,062

Financial Review - Income 2024/25

Adullam has two main areas of business:

- 1. Providing accommodation for vulnerable people
- 2. Providing support paid for under revenue funding contracts

The Association secured short term contract extensions in St Helens. Adullam has expanded our Next Steps Accommodation services in Bolton. Adullam has secured a large new Bury contract.

The Group only bids for work on a full cost recovery basis and following a service delivery risk assessment.

Financial Review - Expenditure 2024/25

Expenditure includes increased costs relating to the Association's new contractual work and increased investment in maintenance works. Increased costs in staffing and agency cover, IT and insurance cover.

Disposals of Assets

The Association maintains an ongoing active approach to Asset Management as work in various regions changes. The overarching aim is to provide and maintain properties in the most effective and efficient locations. To ensure the Association's assets are fully utilised, represent Value for Money and provide quality housing for our TRS's, we review our stock on a regular basis and report to Board annually. This informs the Asset Management Team on which units still satisfy the operational and business needs of the Association. All reviews are in consideration of the Association's Asset Management Strategy and Business Plan.

In 2024/25 deficit on Disposals of £17,000 reflects the loss on component disposals.

Cashflow

The cash generated from operating activities during the year amounts to £854,000. Principal repayments of £43,000 have been made to lenders in respect of loan obligations.

Corporate Strategy

As a supported housing provider, the Association is focused round the needs of TRS in addition to financial factors. The Association has chosen to work with vulnerable people, and it is recognised that this will not necessarily be the most profitable or easy work to accomplish, but we see this as an outworking of the Christian ethos, which is expressed through our mission and our values.

We have delivered the outcomes of the regulatory standards set by the RSH that apply to us as a small housing provider.

This is the third year of Adullam's Corporate Strategy aligned to Strategic Pledges and the strategy will be reviewed in 2025/26. There are four pledges:

Homes

We will provide good quality safe affordable homes that are well managed and meet the tenant satisfaction measures set by the Regulator.

- Keep properties in good repair and meet the Decent Homes Standard.
- Repairs completed within target timescales and satisfaction with repairs.
- Maintaining building safety, well maintained homes safe to live in gas safety, fire safety, asbestos safety, lift safety and electrical safety.
- Effective handling of complaints, compliance with HO complaint handling code and demonstration of learning from outcomes.

• Engage TRS's to ensure an opportunity to voice perspectives on relevant issues, embed a culture of coproduction, inclusion and engagement. Develop an effective scrutiny panel to support policy and operational effectiveness.

Investing in our Workforce

We will Invest in our workforce addressing gaps and ensure a compassionate and inclusive culture for our staff

- We will build on the existing staff wellbeing offer via the Happy, Healthy and Here Strategy.
- We will provide a working environment that attracts and retains good staff.
- Support and develop our workforce to embrace and live our values.
- Ensure staff have the confidence to make decisions within their role and influence the People Strategy via an effective Employee Voice group that feeds into the People Committee.

Managing our Resources

We will make the most of our resources and demonstrate how we balance cost, quality, and performance.

- We will ensure our business remains financially strong and complies with the Golden Rules set by Board.
- Develop services where we have established partner relationships and can demonstrate added value to our regional delivery.
- Central services support delivery of relevant strategic pledges via effective work plans.
- Work closely with ASE to leverage in grant funding to support local social value delivery.
- Obtain effective and reliable data in respect to our stock quality underpinning any investment decisions.

Being the Best, we can

We will ensure that the quality of services TRS's can expect from our services are transparent and demonstrate positive outcomes and impact.

- Demonstrate value for money and social value to all stakeholders including transparency to TRS's on how service charges are comprised and how decisions on capital investment are made.
- Demonstrate quality assurance and compliance of contracts with Local Authority partners and Regulators.
- Build improved recruitment and on boarding pathways for staff.
- Capture and share good practice across services including appropriate external accreditation.
- Use effective procedures and processes, reviewing these in timescale or following feedback from stakeholders.
- Build on results of tenant satisfaction measures and scrutiny panel/young person's voice feedback.

Against each strategic priority Adullam has identified a suite of Schemes / Team Workplans that provide the operational focus for the year with leads, milestones and outcomes identified.

These milestones and outcomes are reported to Board as part of the Board assurance framework alongside the Risk Register, reports on internal controls, audit findings, deep dive reviews at Committee and Balanced Scorecard KPIs. The Executive and SLT provide assurance to Board over the key controls in place that mitigate the business as usual and exceptional risks that may threaten achievement of objectives. The Board sets the tone and influences the culture of risk management within the Association, including the level of acceptable risk (risk appetite), and formulation of a risk appetite statement.

Biannual safeguarding and incident management working groups review data, performance and emerging themes/action plans followed by a report to board members and update briefing to all staff on key themes. As part of the regular Coproduction Week, staff were asked to concentrate on the Tenant Satisfaction Measures (TSM) survey. To assist with this, the Comms team produced a tips sheet which among other things provided examples of activities relating to the questions, leaflets, the website's tenant area, newsletters, and posters

Tenant Satisfaction Measures Standard (TSM's) – Preparation work began in January with the decision that the survey would go out in two stages February/March 2025. This was designed to improve upon the overall return figure from last year's first survey.

Work began in April 2024 on the completion of a Self-Assessment against the Consumer Standards. This document was designed to assist the Association in preparing for self-assessment against the consumer standards in place from April 2024. The goal was to facilitate a structured approach to evaluating, evidencing and improving adherence to these standards, and compliment organisation management and reporting arrangements, assurance frameworks and improvement plans set out elsewhere.

There are two new consumer standards to be published in 2025/26.

- Competency and Conduct requiring housing managers to obtain specific qualifications; and
- Social tenant access to information requirements (STAIR) allowing tenants to request certain information from their landlord about performance and compliance. Work has already begun to integrate the new standards for 2025/2026 and to incorporate those proposed within operational areas.

The action planner comprises individual sheets for each of the standards to present evidence, evaluate compliance, outline our explanation and identify responsible owners plus any key actions that are needed. Included are those policies that are specifically required by the regulatory standards within the appropriate evidence sections. This has continued through the year, with an update presented to the May 2025 Board

Complaints Ombudsman Self-Assessment - During March 2025 this document was updated in line with changes to the policy and the RSM Consumer Regulation Complaints internal audit.

- Annual Complaints Performance and Service Improvement Report April 2025 (2024/25 Q1-Q4) to Board and SLT
- Ombudsman Self-Assessment Board Report 2025 to Board May 2025
- Submission of the Self-Assessment June 2025

Data Quality Assessment Framework 2024 - Key documents were submitted to FARM in September 2024 to provide an assessment of where Adullam Homes are currently positioned against the Government Data Quality Framework. The Data Quality Assessment Framework Review Report provided an update on progress from 2023 and an assessment of where Adullam Homes are currently positioned against the Government Data Quality Framework. Data Maturity Model - Adullam Homes are currently assessed at levels 2 to 3 and the Data Quality Action Plan - which details the business-critical data areas for Adullam Homes was also reviewed for 2024/25.

The Tenant Scrutiny panel is developing well with Terms of Reference and Governance structure established, participants have received committee skills training, and the minutes of these meetings shared with Board members and linked to development of the Co-Production, Involvement and Engagement Action Plan 2025-26. It is proposed to set up a representative structure for co-production, involvement and engagement across Adullam. This will include a National Tenants Forum and Regional Panels, with Scrutiny Champions and tenant representatives from each region, inclusive of needs and protected characteristics. A Board member with lived experience has been recruited this year as part of the overall Board recruitment process with Gatenby Sanderson for Adullam Social Enterprise and it is planned, they will support Adullam's Tenant Engagement & Satisfaction Lead in ensuring that tenant, resident and service user voices influence decision making at all levels of the organisation.

The Health and Safety Annual Team work Plans are delivered through the Health and Safety Champions group with representatives from across the Association and through dedicated job roles. Ongoing analysis of performance data and information supports decision-making, monitoring the performance of statutory obligations, and services provided.

A key opportunity in our strategy is supported accommodation for Young People with a separate Business Plan for this area led by the Registered Manager. In January 2025 a new Head of Service for children's services was appointed with significant experience in regulated children's services. The introduction of formal Regulation 32 inspections in

addition to Quarterly Safeguarding, Incident and Complaints reviews ensures services are continuously improving, learning from incidents, creating a strong safeguarding culture and evidence compliance under the Leadership and Management Standard.

Our budget for 2025/26 continues to prioritise an investment in staff costs and well-being initiatives, these additional costs will support both salary uplifts to ensure market rates in a highly competitive labour environment and an ongoing commitment to the Foundation Living Wage. The People Strategy 2023-26 and a Happy Healthy and Here policy articulates objectives. The HR function is committed to developing and implementing policies and processes that not only support delivery of the Corporate Strategy but also optimises the ability to recruit, develop, retain, and reward staff, linked to Adullam's values. This has been supported by the development of the Employee Voice a group of staff from across the organisation who will support this process and feed back to the People Committee.

We have reviewed our organisational structures this year and completed several restructures to enhance delivery of services with a move from Regional Managers to two Heads of Service focused respectively on children's and adult services with locality managers providing leadership to operational managers. This will ensure increased management 'bandwidth', and an ability to respond to Tenants Residents and Service users' priorities, ensure quality assurance, regulatory compliance and growth in numbers of people supported.

We aspire for growth of our services, and these are built upon established relationships with Local Authority partners and regional partnerships. This needs to be balanced with ensuring Adullam remains financially strong and focused on the mitigations identified in the strategic Risk Register and appropriate annual stress testing, triggers, and scenario planning. Our responses in terms of business development are positive, and our overall service model (Asset Based Approach) is well received. The asset-based approach is under review to ensure we can provide a clear USP, meeting the appetite and approach to general commissioning need/specifications and more specialist needs. Tendered activity during 2024/25 realised an 80% success rate in addition to £3m of proposals, negotiated agreements and contract extensions.

The Board meet on a regular basis and receive regular reports on the performance of the Association to achieve the objectives of the business plan. In addition, there is a National Contract Tracker in place which provides Board members visibility on contract lengths, risk and renewal dates or retender dates. This informs annual review of the three-year business plan, stress testing and assumptions on income and expenditure going forward.

There are significant externally driven challenges, and Adullam will be robust in scenario planning to prepare for their potential impacts. We will continue to invest to ensure we can continue to create and deliver services that are sustainable and effective to meet the needs of the people we support. We continue despite rising costs and increased expectations to generate a surplus year on year to strengthen our financial viability so that we can invest in current and new services and demonstrate quality assurance. We continued to make substantial investment in maintaining our housing stock during the year, to ensure that all properties met the Decent Homes Standard and disposal of underperforming or inefficient property approved by Board in line with our objectives.

As part of our Asset Management Strategy Adullam carries out an annual impairment review of its properties. This exercise ensures that all our assets support the needs of the business, satisfy our obligations regarding our TRS and provide value for money. During the review we analyse void loss, housing related issues, potential investment required, energy performance and health and safety. Each property is then rated to see if Adullam should retain the property or seek an alternative use i.e. sell or lease. We carry out the review in March at the end of the financial year and our findings are submitted to Board. This enables us to effectively manage our stock and provide income to support the acquisition of appropriate and more sustainable properties to fulfil our objectives and growth plans.

Achievements

The Association has continued to deliver excellent practical and positive results, increasing numbers of TRS's accessing critical services and delivering on our strategic pledges. This year 2481 people have been supported and accommodated with a 77% successful move on.

Success in tenders for services included Bolton Bridges, Derbyshire Council (keep my home) Leicester Offender Service, Bury Neighbourhood Supported Housing Service and Staffordshire Moorlands and High Peak.

In 2025/25 Adullam teams and staff members were shortlisted for a total of 14 awards in the Housing with Care Awards, Housing Heroes, UK Housing Awards, Great British Care Awards, Keep Wales Tidy Awards, Bolton Business Awards, National Diversity Awards and She Inspires awards.

Denbighshire won the Team of Year title in the National Housing with Care Awards. The judges were very impressed by the dedication and partnership working delivered by the team saying "An exceptional housing team that puts people first and is ambitious about making a difference to the outcomes of people living in their own homes. Their generosity also extends to colleagues and other stakeholders sharing knowledge, training and resources because making a difference is their absolute priority"

A broader range of projects than ever before featured in shortlists with Stoke Lifehouse, Bury Bridges and High Peak all included for the first time.

In addition to the Denbighshire victory at Housing with Care, Bolton Bridges won Team of the Year at She Inspires and took the team title at the Great British Care Awards. Denbighshire came away from the Keep Wales Tidy Awards with the Caru Cymru Business Award.

In Adullam's Co Production, Inclusion and Engagement (CIE) Action Plan for 2024/25, one of the target outcomes of the Communication Plan was 'Establish annual recognition and award event for tenants'.

The Adullam Excellence and Inclusion Awards were designed to be a way of involving tenants, residents and service users and of boosting self esteeem by praising the progress they made over the previous year. However they achieved much more than this. As is evidenced in the results of this year Tenant Satisfaction Measures survey. This saw increased levels of satisfaction in every measure and a 12% increase in listen to views, 8% in keeps informed and 8% treated with respect (86.4% total). Adullam believes the extensive involvement of tenants in the awards contributed to these results.

The awards, led by the Communication Team were divided into North West and Wales, the N.E and Midlands and one for Ofsted projects. They were all based on the same principles and organisational model, with high calibre external judges, speakers and entertainers. Award categores were chosen through co production and both staff and residents were invited to nominate.

The events were hugely successful, they delivered engagment with and between tenants, gave external stakeholders a chance to learn about the achievements of tenants and to meet with them, strengthening links with partners and our communities.

Guest speakers appeared at each event, these included Dan Ramson form Talk2bigdan2, Dan has been through the battle of alcohol addiction and substance abuse. He explained he has now recovered and stressed other people can do the same. Tenants listened to and chatted with him and Dan is now providing counselling for our Bolton projects.

Improving staff wellbeing is a key priority and several initiatives this year have developed from the People Strategy with support from Employee voice who received "Effective employee representation" training, to look at a range of ways in which they can deliver information to colleagues and gather feedback and views. A series of subgroups has been set up to develop three areas of a reward and recognition framework with a view to introducing it this year. The three levels of the framework are Association-wide recognition, peer-to-peer recognition, and life milestones. Thrive was introduced for all staff a mental health platform designed to support wellbeing through personalised,

proactive and clinically backed mental health services. One of the most distinct and important features of the Thrive app is its on-demand counselling service. If a user screens positive for anxiety or depression, they are contacted by a therapist within 10 minutes.

As part of the ongoing commitment to support staff's health and wellbeing, from September 2024 Adullam partnered with Medigold as their new occupational health provider. This decision came after a thorough evaluation process aimed at ensuring the best quality of care for staff and ensuring that occupational health services meet the latest industry standards. The focus was on identifying a provider that could offer advanced health solutions, and a strong commitment to mental health support. Each potential provider was assessed based on their ability to deliver these key elements, along with their track record of working with similar organisations to Adullam. They offer comprehensive health assessments and health screenings and surveillance, mental health support and employee assistance programmes, and can help manage workplace injuries through physiotherapy.

Adullam secured the funding to provide seven electric vehicles across our main sites in Birmingham, Congleton, Buxton, Sheffield and Bury. The cars are available to all staff to help them in delivering support meetings to tenants, residents and service users in their homes. A special mention must go to Adullam's Board, our funders Charity Bank, and Nissan Wakefield, who all made this possible.

We achieved RoSPA Gold, underlining our commitment to the health and safety of staff and our tenants, residents and service users. We retained Investors in People Silver, significant time and resources have been invested in making working at Adullam rewarding with new benefits introduced – buy and sell holiday, cycle scheme, and credit union among them. From December 2024 staff were able to use the services of Citysave Credit Union. Introduction of the Citysave employee benefit scheme ensures that regardless of personal circumstances, staff have access to ethical and simple financial services. In addition, working with a community, not-for-profit organisation like Citysave fits with our values, giving us confidence they will act in staff's interests. Under the partnership, staff can join the Credit Union, giving access to savings accounts and affordable loans. Partnerships like these have been proven to improve the financial and mental wellbeing of employees, which reduces stress and increases financial resilience, helping people feel happier and be more productive at work.

The annual days lost due to sickness this year was 4.25 which compares favourably to the benchmark data for smaller providers of 5 days and represents a 1.25% reduction in the period April 2024 to March 2025 with a 11% reduction in staff turnover for the same period. There was a 28% reduction in employee relation cases includes disciplinary, grievance, absences and probation dismissals.

We continue to invest in our existing properties ensuring they provide quality, affordable homes which allow tenants, residents, and service users the opportunity to reach their potential in a safe, and supported, environment. This year we have invested £208K of capital expenditure for existing properties and committed to installation of 106 new front doors at a cost of £216k. A new capital investment programme will be developed pending the outcome of the new stock condition survey conducted in 2024/25.

Maintaining our tenants' homes is equally as important to Adullam with £k of expenditure for repairs and maintenance This year we've seen sustained levels of customer satisfaction and high levels of performance. Recognising the challenge of the increasing cost of materials and higher labour costs, we have employed an additional six maintenance operatives to ensure we provide the best possible repairs service. There is a slight reduction in performance of routine repairs due to the volume of new properties introduced, particularly in the Northwest. Additional repairs operatives have been introduced in the Northwest to address this issue. Adullam has also increased the tenant scrutiny of our key services, including repairs, and will continue to listen to what is important to our TRS's and adjust our policies accordingly.

Repairs performance has remained high, as demonstrated below in our 2024/25 figures, however, in an increasingly difficult construction sector, we must remain focused on delivering the most efficient and affordable service to our tenants and encourage complaints if we fall short of our TRS's expectations.

Repairs & Maintenance 1 st April 2024 to 31 st MARCH 2025						
Priority	Number Received	Awaiting formal closure via contractors paperwork	Completed in Time	Completed out of Time	Target 95%*	Average Completion Time
Emergency	162	1	161	0	100 %	10.32 Hrs
Urgent	1685	26	1566	93	95%	4.66 Days
Routine	1939	52	1733	154	92%	14.72 Days

(*) Target from Balance Scorecard.

The Association maintains an ongoing active approach to Asset Management as work in various regions changes. The overarching aim is to provide and maintain properties in the most effective and efficient locations. To ensure the Association's assets are fully utilised, represent Value for Money and provide quality housing for our TRS's, we review our stock annually and present our findings to Adullam's Board. This informs the Asset Management Team on which units still satisfy the operational and business needs of the Association. All reviews are in consideration of the Association's strategic plan, our Asset Management Strategy and Business Plan.

To ensure all our properties remain safe, affordable and desirable, Adullam has undertaken a full stock condition appraisal where every property is surveyed to ensure they meet and exceed the needs of our TRS's and satisfy regulatory compliance. The results of these surveys will be introduced into the next five years investment program and every home will experience some form of investment and tenants will be consulted so their views are considered.

Through continued improvements in tenancy management, this year we have achieved our highest levels of rent collection and lowest void losses. As a result of this significant improvement, Adullam are now entering a period of property growth, increasing our asset portfolio, and for the first time in fifteen years, building new homes. In 2024/25 the Association increased the total stock owned/managed by 5 units (see table below).

	For Comparison			
	22/23 Totals	23/24 Totals	24/25 Totals	Varianc e from 23/24
	Totals	าบเลเร	24/23 Totals	23/24
Stock owned & managed by Adullam	436	428	2	4
Stock owned by Adullam, managed by others	17	23	23	0
Total stock owned	453	451	455	4
Stock owned by other HA's, managed by				1
Adullam	204	204	205	
Stock owned by LA's, managed by Adullam	7	22	6	(16)
Stock owned by Others, managed by Adullam	121	117	133	16
Total stock managed	332	343	344	1
Total Stock Owned/Managed	785	794	799	5

There has been movement across Adullam with bed spaces managed for other Local Authorities due to contract changes. These include:

• 16 bedspaces at The Bridge, Poole Street, Bolton have been handed back to Bolton Council.

During the year the number of bed spaces owned and managed has changed in response to our strategic objectives and contractual obligations:

- 4 bedspaces a Narborough Road have been re-classified from 'Owned by Other' to 'Owned' due to incorrect data recorded for previous years.
- Gained 30 bedspaces in Bury.
- Gained 9 bedspaces at Bradford Street, Bolton.
- 14 dispersed properties in Denbighshire have been handed back to the owning landlords.

A successful retendering of the IT Managed Service Provider saw a five-year contract signed with Wanstor Ltd and an ambitious improvement plan agreed. The first part of this plan saw a successful Azure Virtual Desktop rollout which disabled access to the aging Citrix platform resulting in improved integration, enhancing connectivity across platforms and helping future proof any enhancements we introduce during the contract term. Faster log-on times and fully functional Teams and OneDrive. Updated Policy Hub is now hosted in the cloud, offering improved accessibility and performance.

Although this year has been challenging in terms of cost-of-living increases across the board, increasing expectations from funders and regulators, compliance requirements, investment in our staff and developing tenant engagement initiatives we have been able to generate a surplus. This enables us to strengthen our financial viability and ensure availability of funds to invest in current and new services and the Asset Management Plan.

The cash reserves policy was confirmed by Board this year at £3 million The Board and FARM committee regularly monitor the cash position and at year end there was over £3 million available. The robustness and stability of income streams has been assessed and is monitored regularly by committees and Board.

Value for Money (VFM)

To reflect the Regulator's approach to reinforce the strategic significance of Value for Money (VFM) within the sector, the Association has embedded the principles of VFM throughout its operational and strategic policies. Adullam's Value for Money (VFM) performance will be measured against its own strategic VFM targets, its peer groups, and the set of regulatory metrics.

To ensure the Association's assets are fully utilised, represent Value for Money and provide quality housing for our tenants, residents, and service users, we review our stock on a quarterly basis and report to Board annually. In conjunction with the Finance Team, a weekly breakdown of all void properties and properties which have been taken off gross is provided. This informs the Asset Management, Housing and Health & Safety Teams on which units still satisfy the operational and business needs of the Association and do not represent a risk. All reviews are in consideration of the Association's Asset Management Strategy and Business Plan.

Within the budget and business objectives the Association considers value for money in terms of Economy, Efficiency, Effectiveness, and the Creation of Social Value. The principles underpinning the way we will manage our assets and resources include:

- Meeting the needs of customers at the right time
- Customer satisfaction
- Co-production and collaboration
- Regulatory compliance and customer involvement
- Enhancement of our reputation and track record
- Support by delivery from suppliers whose prices are competitive for the quality of service delivered and yield additional social value

Adullam Homes have a Value for Money Strategy which ensures that we have a formalised strategic approach to delivering and achieving Value for Money (VFM) in meeting our strategic aims.

The distinctive social purpose of Adullam requires us to protect and promote the interests of our TRS's and the communities we serve, while safeguarding public investment. We need to ensure the views and needs of the people we serve are at the heart of strategic decision making, there is robust oversight of measures to keep TRS's, other customers, and staff safe and the Board exert a firm grip of risk including testing the impact of potential risk scenarios on our plans.

The VFM Strategy is incorporated into both the strategic and operational activities of the Association. The Business Plan actions reflect this linking to other defined strategies/key policies, business priorities and team/service targets.

The Association aims to derive the most value out of every pound spent, balancing costs against the diverse requirements of the service user base. Adullam provides supported accommodation to young single homeless people, young people leaving care, those from offending backgrounds, vulnerable mothers and children, people recovering from drug and alcohol addiction, people living with enduring mental health issues and vulnerable families.

Adullam aims to help people to access safe, comfortable accommodation and support them to go on to lead independent lives. As a supported housing provider, Adullam competes on quality and cost for the awarding of support contracts from various local authority Commissioners. Through various returns to Commissioners, the Association reports on the utilisation of bed spaces and support hours provided. For the Association to thrive in this challenging environment it must constantly be aware of its cost base, the pricing of staff costs, property costs and be aware of those of its competitors. It has had to react quickly to changing geography, contract wins, and losses and the subsequent costs associated with winning and losing work and properties. The Association has had to contend with changing demand for its property stock to respond to various contact/commissioner requirements.

Strategic objectives are set and agreed by the Board, as are Adullam's performance targets and reflect the longerterm business plan. The targets are reviewed and revised annually, based on analysis of the organisation's performance, external factors as well as comparison with peers.

Provision of Support, Provision of Housing (Quantity and Quality) and Benchmarking

To assist with benchmarking, Adullam is a member of two benchmarking clubs, regularly assessing its own performance against its peers using Acuity and the House mark definitions, illustrated by "Small Providers Benchmarking (SPBM)" comparisons throughout this report.

The Association provides support, sometimes this is 'floating support' where it is not tied to properties; but most of the work is accommodation-based support, where the provision of good quality housing and support services are key to successful outcomes for TRS's.

The Association in assessing the overall success of its work and the investment that is made, measures on an ongoing basis: -

- customer satisfaction for support
- customer satisfaction for accommodation

The new Tenant Satisfaction Measures (TSMs) standard became operational in April 2023 and applies to all providers. Whilst providers with less than 1,000 stock are not required to submit their TSM data to the regulator, we collected and reported them to our tenants and stakeholders for the year 2023/24 and 2024/25. Satisfaction has increased across all areas and response rate improved.

	Very/Fairly Satisfied		Very/Fairly Dissatisfied		Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied	
	2023/24	2024/25	2023/24	2024/25	2023/24	2024/25
TSM01 Overall						
Satisfaction	78.38%	78.67%	10.13%	8.44%	11.49%	12.89%
TSM02 Overall						
Repairs Service	71.06%	79.75%	16.67%	14.72%	12.28%	5.52%
TSM03 Repairs: Time						
Taken	73.15%	76.43%	16.67%	16.56%	9.26%	7.01%
TSM04 Home is well						
maintained	75.00%	82.95%	12.84%	7.83%	12.16%	9.22%
TSM05 Home is safe	79.17%	85.71%	11.12%	9.22%	9.72%	5.07%
TSM06 Listens to						
views & acts on them	65.97%	77.73%	18.06%	11.82%	15.97%	10.45%
TSM07 Keeps						
informed	73.29%	81.28%	11.64%	7.76%	15.67%	10.96%
TSM08 Treated Fairly						
& with respect	78.76%	86.64%	6.84%	7.37%	14.38%	5.99%
TSM09 Approach to						
complaints	64.14%	69.44%	14.49%	18.06%	21.38%	12.50%
TSM10 Communal						
areas	73.05%	79.64%	14.79%	11.38%	11.30%	8.98%
TSM11 Contribution						
to neighbourhood	60.14%	68.72%	10.14%	8.06%	29.73%	23.22%
TSM12 Approach to						
Anti-social behaviour	66.44%	76.19%	10.74%	6.67%	22.82%	17.14%

The table below shows that Adullam performs better than its peers in this area. The customer services support team and the revised co production engagement and involvement strategy with key actions and road map indicate a positive effect on customer satisfaction this year where data is gained from exit surveys and at closure of repairs.

Customer Satisfaction (proportion of tenants satisfied with the landlord's services)

Measure STA001 SH		SPBM Peer Group
	24/25: Adullam	23/24: Median
	%	%
Excellent/Good	98	85

As a Registered Provider the Association must provide properties to minimum Decent Homes Standards (DHS) and has expectations around the delivery of its repairs and maintenance services which are monitored by senior staff and the Operations Committee and via the Balanced Scorecard KPIs linking to the strategic risk register. The table below shows that Adullam outperforms its peers in this area.

Customer Satisfaction (proportion of tenants satisfied with the landlord's repairs)

Measure STA006 SH		SPBM Peer Group
	23/24: Adullam	23/24: Median
	%	%
Excellent/Good	98	86.5

Wise Use of the Association's Assets – Key Value for Money Objective

The key strategic aspect of Adullam's approach to value for money is hinged around using the Association support services and property assets wisely, where possible to generate a surplus to be re-invested and deliver in new owned or managed properties which meet the target need.

Impairment and Voids

As part of preparation for the end of each financial year an impairment review is undertaken on Association properties to assess 'carrying value', this includes obsolescence, any contamination, changes in Government policy, fire safety and cladding.

As part of our Asset Management Strategy Adullam, carries out an annual impairment review of its properties. This exercise ensures that all our assets support the needs of the business, satisfy our obligations regarding our tenants, residents, and service users, and provide excellent value for money. During the review, we analyse void loss, housing related issues, potential investment required, energy performance and H&S. Each property is then rated to see if Adullam should retain the property or seek an alternative use i.e. sell or lease. We carry out the review in March at the end of the financial year and our findings are submitted to Board. This enables us to effectively manage our stock and provide income to support the acquisition of more appropriate and sustainable properties.

The table below shows that Adullam has favourable void losses compared with its peers and represents a positive picture compared to 2023/24 of 3.2%.

Measure HMSH 30		SPBM Peer Group
	24/25: Adullam	23/24: Median
	%	%
Void Loss	2.3	6.1

Regulatory Metrics

The Regulator of Social Housing has a set of metrics against which all Registered Providers, regardless of their size and nature of business delivery, are required to report. The results from these metrics are shown below.

We recognise the need to compare "like with like" and the regulatory requirements to have a sector wide set of VFM metrics, however these are not fully representative of smaller housing associations and those providing supported housing for vulnerable people. Hopefully the commentary will "paint a picture" and provide background to the figures in the table below.

Registered providers are required by the Regulator of Social Housing to assess their compliance with the RSH's Governance and financial viability standards and in line with the requirements of the RSH Adullam can certify that we comply.

Metric No.	Metric Title	SPBM benchmarking report Acuity Research and Practice	Adullam Homes: results from Statutory Financial Statements	
		23/24 Median	24/25	23/24
1	Reinvestment %	2.7%	1%	0.8%
2A	New supply delivered % - Social Housing	0%	0%	0.1%
2B	New supply delivered % - Non-Social Housing	0%	0%	0%
3	Gearing %	17.3%	(13 %)	(11.9 %)
4	Earnings pre-interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation; major repairs included interest cover	200%	507%	351%
5	Headline Social Housing Cost per Unit (excluding support and care costs)	£6447	£14,382	£12,922
6A	Operating Margin (social housing lettings) %	18.52%	4.3%	0.5%
6B	Operating Margin (overall)%	15.52%	4.9%	(0.9) %
7	Return on Capital Employed	2.53%	3.5%	0.7%

Notes to the regulatory metrics

- 1 Figures include a commitment to deliver contracts in 2024/25 and on existing reinvestment.
- 2 As a specialist supported housing provider, the Association's level of provision is not dependent upon new supply being delivered. However, the decrease in 2a relates to no new properties acquired compared to 23/24.
- 3 The Association's low levels of debt are less than its cash at bank. There is an increase in cash balance in 2024/25 compared to 2023/24 due to operating activities.

- 4 The Association has increased the interest cover compared to 23/24 due to operating surplus.
- 5 The Association is committed to ensuring all properties meet the Decent Homes Standard and has a regular reinvestment programme.
- 6 The Association has made a surplus 2024/25. This is due largely due to the increase of turnover compared to 23/24.
- 7 The Association has significantly higher social housing costs per unit than its peers. This is due to the small number of properties owned, the dispersed nature of the stock and the high levels of housing management needed to provide the level of service required by customers.

Future VFM savings and initiatives

As part of the business plan process, VFM objectives are set by the Board in agreement with the Senior Leadership Team

VFM objectives for 2025/26 are as follows:

- Maximising our social value use of social value indicators and Social Value Action Plan alongside contract specific delivery plans. This has no monetary value; however, it is essential to when tendering for new business and demonstration of outcomes.
- Maximize access to Grant funding via Adullam Social Enterprise for projects and increase in volunteer hours.
- Quality Assurance Policy Framework and Quality Management system implemented and overseen by Quality Assurance Manager.
- Considering the Stock Condition Survey and the core objectives in the Asset Management Strategy. In
 delivering an efficient asset service value will be driven into our construction and support costs with robust
 procurement protocols implemented in-line with audited recommendations. Obtain a targeted 20%
 reduction on NATFED Schedule of Rates.
- Demonstrate service quality and outcomes in terms of supported accommodation for young people providing a platform for enhancement of our reputation and potential for revenue growth of new services.
- Internal Workplan Process for all central and operational services with a Golden Thread running from the annual Business Plan priorities to individual appraisal targets in the Striving for Excellence process and supporting Training Pathways. This has no monetary value, however, will support reducing vacancies and increase staff development.
- Happy, Healthy and Here strategy with actions focused on staff's ongoing mental health and wellbeing reducing days lost to illness and voluntary staff turnover %
- Maximize the benefits of the new MSP contract for IT services with Wanstor Ltd in terms of financial savings, cyber security and efficiency.
- Implement the requirements enshrined within the Procurement Act 2023 into our policies and procedures.
- The strategic acquisition of properties for Adullam to reduce managed leased properties.
- Review of all Pyramid modules and functionality to improve work tools with the establishment of a new Pyramid version alongside the rollout of training. Support the development of text messaging for support and rents modules. This has no monetary value, however, increases efficiency and communication.
- Reduction in agency usage via workforce development and multi-channel recruitment.
- Organisational development initiatives including learning and development, succession planning, staff
 wellbeing and enhanced communication. This has no monetary value; however, this will have a positive effect
 on recruitment and retention.
- Deliver a coordinated Co-production, engagement and involvement strategy across the Association and maximize the use of volunteer hours particularly with lived experience. This has no monetary value; however, this will contribute to the demonstration of regulatory compliance in terms of consumer standards.
- Use of social media and applications to sector awards to raise our profile. This has no monetary value, however, reflects on potential improvement in recruitment, reputation, and award of new or extended contracts.

The Board will receive updates on the annual VFM objectives at FARM committee and Board meeting to monitor performance.

Rent Policy

Rents and service charges are approved and set for all our properties as part of our annual budget setting exercise as well as ensuring compliance with the Government's rent formula and other regulations. Service charges are set at affordable levels and ensure full cost recovery.

Arrears Policy

The Arrears performance is reported to and monitored by the FARM Committee and Arrears metrics are included in monthly management accounts. The arrears strategy and action plan developed by the National Housing Manager will provide leadership to a revised approach to rent collection and arrears management.

Treasury Management Policy

Adullam has a Treasury Management Policy which sets out the parameters and controls for treasury activities. It has been compiled using the CIPFA Code of Practice for Treasury Management in Public Services. The policy is reviewed annually by the Board. In respect of Treasury arrangements, these are actively managed. Adullam does not have any abnormal exposure to price, credit, liquidity, and cash flow risks arising from its trading activities. Adullam does not enter any hedging transactions and no trading in financial instruments is undertaken. Adullam has three principal funders being Orchardbrook, Triodos and Charity Bank. These loans at the date of this report are at a fixed rate.

Internal Controls

The Board acknowledges its overall responsibility for establishing and maintaining the whole system of internal control and for reviewing its effectiveness as a whole. The system of internal control is designed to manage, rather than eliminate, the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and to provide reasonable, and not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. In meeting its responsibilities, the Board has approved an effective framework to identify and manage the significant risks to the Group's operations. This risk-based approach to establishing and maintaining internal controls is embedded within day-to-day management and governance processes. The approach includes the regular evaluation of the nature and extent of risks to which the Group is exposed and is consistent with best practice.

Annual Review of the effectiveness of the System of Internal Control

The Board delegates responsibility for the annual review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control to the FARM Committee. The FARM Committee take account of any changes needed to maintain the effectiveness of the management and control process for risk and fraud. The FARM Committee met 6 times during the financial year. Assurance over the control environment was obtained from the following main sources:

Risk Management

The risk management policy provides a clear framework linking overall Strategy to Risk Appetite to Value for Money. Adullam Homes views risk as the possibility that an action, event or set of circumstances will adversely or beneficially affect the ability to achieve its objectives. Risk appetite is a core consideration in the risk management approach. Adullam Homes Board members and Executive express clearly and review regularly the extent of their willingness to take risk to meet their strategic objectives.

The Assurance Framework is the key source of evidence that links strategic objectives to risks, controls and assurances, and the main tool that the Board use in discharging its overall responsibility for internal control.

Sources of Assurance include:

- Risk 'deep-dives'
- Management assurance (ad-hoc reports)
- Management assurance (regular reports)
- Regulatory Audit, inspection
- Internal Audit / External Audit
- Assurance by expert third parties
- Inspection and quality audits by Commissioners

Our biggest challenge and risk relate to the recruitment and retention of staff and high labour cost inflation alongside the risk flowing from the general economic and social environment. The markets we operate in remain fiercely competitive and the squeeze on margins is challenging so we are working hard to evolve new effective delivery pathways at the same time as developing new delivery partnerships and meeting commissioners' priorities and quality assurance requirements in the geographies we operate.

An effective risk management framework sits at the core of the system of internal control. The Board confirms that the process for identifying, evaluating, and managing the risks faced by the organisation is ongoing, the process has been in place throughout the year and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts and is regularly reviewed by the Board.

The FARM Committee reviews, at each meeting, the contents and scoring of the risk register on behalf of the Board who maintain direction and oversight as part of good governance. The Executive and Senior Leadership Team regularly consider reports on risks and the Chief Executive is responsible for reporting to the Board any significant changes affecting key strategic risks.

The Business Disaster Recovery and Continuity working group which look at risks that are possible and likely will oversee a business continuity recovery event to test our business continuity plans this year.

Internal Audit

The prime responsibility of the internal audit service is to provide the Board with assurance on the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control system, including risk management and governance. Internal audit also plays a valuable role in helping management to improve systems of internal control and so to reduce the potential effects of any significant risks faced.

The Internal Auditor has direct access to the FARM Committee including in-camera meetings without management present.

The FARM Committee reviews the findings arising from all Internal Audit Reports and is provided with progress reports on the implementation of all agreed recommendations for improvement to the point of conclusion.

Five internal Audits were carried out during the year conducted by our retained consultants RSM

- arrears management-substantial assurance
- performance framework -substantial assurance
- consumer regulation-substantial assurance
- key finance controls-procurement -partial assurance
- Advisory audit for policy and procedures against the Procurement Act

A follow up audit was conducted in April 2025 by our internal auditors on previous actions to check compliance and implementation with a judgement that 'in our opinion the Adullam Homes Housing Association has demonstrated good progress in implementing agreed management actions.' For the nine management actions it was confirmed that all have been fully implemented (seven 'low' and two 'medium' priority) agreed as part of the following assignments completed in 2023/24:

- Sickness Absence (1.23/24); and
- Damp and Mould Management Arrangements (2.23/24).

Note: the following audits completed as part of the 2023/24 plan were not considered as part of this review as no formal management actions had been raised as part of the assignments:

- Complaints Code Assessment (4.23/24);
- Safeguarding (3.23/24); and
- Follow Up (5.23/24)

Fraud Management

The Association operates a zero-tolerance approach to any instances of fraud or corruption, this year a new Probity policy was developed which replaced the Anti-Fraud & Bribery policy, in addition an Anti-Money Laundering policy and Whistleblowing policy link to this policy. A fraud register is maintained by the Company Secretary and in line with the revised policy six monthly Probity meetings led by the CEO and Head of Business Assurance. There were no material issues identified during the year. The Group has appropriate insurance cover in place to mitigate the potential financial losses associated with fraud.

Information and Financial Reporting Systems

Financial reporting provides detailed annual budgets, detailed treasury reports, value for money reporting and monthly management accounts and cashflows which are reviewed by FARM Committee and the Board.

Any issues raised in the external audit management letter issued at the conclusion of the annual audit are dealt with to the satisfaction of both the external auditor and the FARM Committee with progress tracked to the point of conclusion.

Key performance indicators and business objectives set as part of the performance management framework are regularly reviewed by the Group Board to assess progress and outcomes against the rolling three-year Business Plan.

Budgetary responsibility

Each employee who has financial or devolved budgetary responsibility is provided with a copy of the Financial Regulations and Schedule of Delegation. Employees shall be responsible for the accountability and control of all resources including plant, buildings, materials, cash, and stores relating to their areas of responsibility.

The FARM Committee is responsible for making recommendations to the Group Board on amendments to Financial Regulations as it considers necessary for the supervision and control of the finances, accounts, income, expenditure, and assets of the Group. The Financial Regulations with delegated authority will be reviewed in 2025/26 to reflect operational restructures and the advisory audit on policies and procedures for compliance with the Procurement Act.

Going concern statement

The budget for Adullam for 2025/26 shows an accounting surplus (prior to any surplus on asset sales) of £285k. The budgeted surplus for Adullam Social Enterprises CIC is £4k.

The budget for Adullam has been developed and compiled by the Financial Controller, Regional Managers, Operational Managers and the Property & Contracts Manager, then reviewed with the Senior Leadership Team and ultimately challenged and approved by Adullam's Board. Property budgets have been compiled by a detailed and comprehensive review by the above.

The business plan priorities for 2025/26 have been set within the context of the Corporate Strategy, the strategic risk register and the sector risk profile. The assumptions of compliance with 2025/26 budgets include:

- Rents set at 2.7% cap
- Service charge income for properties reflects accurate costs for service and property management contracts, salaries regarding Enhanced Management and salaries regarding concierge and inflation of some services.
- Loan covenants met
- Maintenance of cash balance of £3 million
- Compliance with regulatory requirements as a Registered provider with RSH and Ofsted.
- Investment in staff costs via uplifts, new roles, wellbeing initiatives and National Insurance increases.
- Void losses at current run rates.
- Pyramid G2 housing management system costs for implementation July 2025
- Delivery of revised Asset Management Strategy following outcome of 2025 Stock Condition Survey.

Rental Income for 2025/2026 is forecast at £16,287,790 with voids budgeted for 2025/26 at £548,062. This has been reviewed and void rates for each area have been considered individually on current run rates.

Bad Debt provision has been reviewed and bad debt provision rates for each area have been considered individually on current rates. Adullam Homes Housing Association is in a better position regarding the impact of Universal Credit than several general needs providers of accommodation due to our 'exempt status'.

Revenue funding for supporting people budget has considered current contracts in place and the likelihood of renewal.

The staffing budget is made up of all existing posts on the current establishment and any vacancies. The budget for the year incorporates revenue funding for supporting people contractual hours and Enhanced Housing Management. Agency has been considered at a rate of 6% where required. Salaries for Support Workers, Project Workers, TSO's and Concierge staff have been increased to assist with staff retention.

Service charge budget of £3.4m has considered the service charge income and actual expenditure and the costs are covered by the income generated apart from where staff are based on site which is covered by the management fee.

Property costs of £3.6m include the service contracts in place. Within this budget there is £2.7m provided for Landlord payments, which nets off the income we collect in for rents and service charges. This figure has increased from 2024/25 budget and largely relates to the new contracts.

Project overheads have been set based on reviews with Senior Leadership Team members, Operational Managers and Regional Managers.

The cash flow for Adullam Homes is based on the 2025/26 budget. Assumptions are listed below:

- All cash profiles have considered the start and end of support contracts
- Support contracts have been profiled further for contracts that which are paid monthly/quarterly/half yearly basis
- Staffing is profiled equally over the 12 months
- Expenditure has been considered on a monthly/quarterly/half year/yearly basis where possible
- VAT considers the income less the expenditure as per standard
- Capital expenditure of £470k which relates to the Stock Condition survey
- Increase on investment of staff

To ensure budgets are effectively managed and controlled, monthly management accounts are produced for Adullam staff, Board and FARM. These are then reviewed and acted upon by Adullam staff monthly. The Association can meet existing loan covenant requirements.

Senior leadership engage in a review of the 3-year Business Plan and stress testing each year. FARM Committee and Board also review and approve the 3-year Business Plan based on current year budget with stress testing outcomes for Adullam based on that plan. These are applied with testing of those scenarios/triggers and the actions required if the triggers materialised. Multiple scenarios happening together are considered in addition to the individual scenarios.

On this basis, the Board has reasonable expectation that Adullam has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, being a period of twelve months after the date on which the report and financial statements are signed. For this reason, it continues to adopt the going concern basis in the financial statements.

Control Environment and Procedures

Governance arrangements are subject to continuing review and development to ensure they remain fit for purpose. Board and sub-Committee membership is reviewed annually in line with the membership policy terms. Compliance with the chosen code of governance and the Regulatory Framework is reviewed annually.

The Board retains responsibility for a defined range of issues covering strategic, operational, financial, and compliance matters and new investment projects. The Board disseminates its requirements to employees through a framework of policies and procedures.

The Board confirms that there is an ongoing process for identifying, evaluating, and managing significant risks faced by the Group and for preventing, detecting, investigating, and insuring against fraud. This process had been in place throughout the year under review, up to the date of the Annual report, and is regularly reviewed by the Board.

Public Benefit Entity

As a public benefit entity, Adullam has applied the public benefit entity 'PBE' prefixed paragraphs of FRS102.

Information for the Auditor

The Board members who held office at the date of approval of this Board report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Association's auditor is unaware; and each Board member has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a Board member to make them aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Association's auditor is aware of that information.

The Board confirms that this Strategic Report has been prepared in accordance with the principles set out in Paragraph 4.7 of the 2018 SORP for Registered Social Housing Providers.

Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting will be on 17th September 2025.

External Auditor

The Association's external auditor is Beever and Struthers. A resolution to re-appoint Beever and Struthers will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

By Order of the Board:

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Signed:

Date: 23rd July 2025

Alison Sargent Chief Executive

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited (the 'parent association') and its subsidiary (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Group and the parent association's Statements of Comprehensive Income, the Group and the parent association's Statements of Financial Position, the Group and the parent association's Statements of Changes in Reserves, the Group Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent association's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of the group's and the parent association's surplus for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
 and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Co-operative and Community Benefit
 Societies Act 2014, the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies (Group Accounts) Regulations 1969,
 the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Accounting Direction for Private Registered Providers of
 Social Housing 2022.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Board's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group or the parent association's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Board with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Board is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the parent association has not kept proper books of account; or
- a satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the books of account; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of the Board

As explained more fully in the Statement of the Board's responsibilities set out on page 9, the Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Board is responsible for assessing the group's and the parent association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board either intends to liquidate the group or the parent association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK). Those standards require us to comply with the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

We identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and then design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, including obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

In identifying and addressing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- We obtained an understanding of laws and regulations that affect the Group and Company, focusing on those that had a direct effect on the financial statements or that had a fundamental effect on its operations. Key laws and regulations that we identified included the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, the Statement of Recommended Practice for registered housing providers: Housing SORP 2018, the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008, the Accounting Direction for Private Registered Providers of Social Housing 2019, tax legislation, health and safety legislation, and employment legislation.
- We enquired of the Board and reviewed correspondence and Board meeting minutes for evidence of noncompliance with relevant laws and regulations. We also reviewed controls the Board have in place, where necessary, to ensure compliance.
- We gained an understanding of the controls that the Board have in place to prevent and detect fraud.
- We enquired of the Board about any incidences of fraud that had taken place during the accounting period.
- The risk of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud was discussed within the audit team and tests were planned and performed to address these risks. We identified the potential for fraud in the following areas: laws related to the construction and provision of social housing, recognising the nature of the group's activities and the regulated nature of the group's activities.
- We reviewed financial statements disclosures and tested to supporting documentation to assess compliance with relevant laws and regulations discussed above.
- We enquired of the Board about actual and potential litigation and claims.
- We performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that might indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- In addressing the risk of fraud due to management override of internal controls we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates were indicative of a potential bias.

Due to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations and cannot be expected to detect all fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited

Use of the audit report

This report is made solely to the association's members as a body in accordance with Part 7 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and Chapter 4 of Part 2 of the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the association's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the association and the association's members as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Beever and Struthers, Statutory Auditor

Beeve and Struthers

The Colmore Building 20 Colmore Circus Queensway Birmingham B4 6AT

Date: 6 August 2025

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 31st March 2025

	Note	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Turnover	2	18,790	16,838
Operating expenditure	2	(17,884)	(16,655)
(Deficit) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	3	(17)	336
Operating surplus		889	519
Finance income		35	34
Interest and financing costs	4	(140)	(136)
Surplus before tax	5	784	417
Taxation	8	(1)	(2)
Total comprehensive income for the year		783	415

The financial statements on pages 34 to 61 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 23rd July 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

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Chair:

Vice Chair:

Chief Executive:

Derek Dunkley

Tony Price

Alison Sargent

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Association Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 31st March 2025

	Note	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	
Turnover	2	18,729	16,821	
Operating expenditure	2	(17,825)	(16,641)	
(Deficit) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	3	(17)	336	
Operating surplus		887	516	
Finance income		35	34	
Interest and financing costs	4	(140)	(136)	
Surplus before tax	5	782	414	
Taxation	8	-		
Total comprehensive income for the year		782	414	

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Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

At 31st March 2025

	Note		2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Fixed assets				
Intangible assets	9		2	8
Housing properties	10		20,495	20,547
Other property, plant and equipment	11		1,333	1,286
		- -	21,830	21,841
Current assets				
Debtors	13		2,062	1,600
Cash		_	5,240	4,911
			7,302	6,511
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	14	_	(2,872)	(2,734)
Net current assets		<u>-</u>	4,430	3,777
Total assets less current liabilities			26,260	25,618
Creditors : Amounts falling due after more than one year	15		(1,920)	(1,894)
Deferred capital grant	16	_	(11,564)	(11,731)
Net assets		=	12,776	11,993
Capital and reserves				
Called-up share capital	22	*	-	-
Revenue reserve			12,497	11,818
Restricted reserve		<u>-</u>	279	175
Total reserves		=	12,776	11,993

^{*} Non-equity share capital for 2024/25 is £18 (2023/24 £18)

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Association Statement of Financial Position

At 31st March 2025

	Note	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Fixed assets	0	2	
Intangible assets Housing properties	9 10	2 20,495	8 20,547
Other property, plant and equipment	11	1,333	1,286
		21,830	21,841
Current assets			
Debtors	13	2,059	1,586
Cash		5,063	4,790
		7,122	6,376
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	14	(2,805)	(2,711)
Net current assets		4,317	3,665
Total assets less current liabilities		26,147	25,506
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	15	(1,920)	(1,894)
Deferred capital grant	16	(11,564)	(11,731)
Net assets		12,663	11,881
Capital and reserves		*	
Called-up share capital Revenue reserve	22	* - 12,384	- 11,706
Restricted reserve		12,384 279	175
Total reserves		12,663	11,881

^{*} Non-equity share capital for 2024/25 is £18 (2023/24 £18)

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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Reserves

At 31st March 2025

	Revenue reserve £'000	Restricted reserve £'000	Total £'000
At 1 April 2023	11,393	185	11,578
Total comprehensive income for the year	415	-	415
Transfer of restricted expenditure from unrestricted reserve	10	(10)	-
At 31 March 2024	11,818	175	11,993
Total comprehensive income for the year	783	-	783
Transfer of restricted expenditure from unrestricted reserve	(104)	104	-
At 31 March 2025	12,497	279	12,776

Association Statement of Changes in Reserves

At 31st March 2025

	Revenue reserve £'000	Restricted reserve £'000	Total £'000
At 1 April 2023	11,282	185	11,467
Total comprehensive income for the year	414	-	414
Transfer of restricted expenditure from unrestricted reserve	10	(10)	-
At 31 March 2024	11,706	175	11,881
Total comprehensive income for the year	782	-	782
Transfer of restricted expenditure from unrestricted reserve	(104)	104	-
At 31 March 2025	12,384	279	12,663

Consolidated Statement of Cashflows

For the year ended 31st March 2025

		2025	2024
	Note	£'000	£′000
Net cash generated from operating activities	1a	854	1,153
Cashflows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	9/10/11	(322)	(662)
Purchase of properties under construction	10	(55)	-
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	3	-	550
Interest received		35	34
Net cash flows from investing activities		512	1,075
Cashflows from financing activities			
Interest paid	4	(140)	(136)
Repayments of borrowings	19	(43)	(41)
New Finance			-
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		329	898
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		4,911	4,013
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		5,240	4,911

Consolidated Statement of Cashflows

For the year ended 31st March 2025

		2025	2024
Note 1a	Note	£'000	£'000
Surplus for the year		783	415
Adjustments for non-cash items Depreciation, amortisation and scrappage of tangible and intangible fixed			
Assets	9/10/11	451	278
Amortisation of capital grant	16	(167)	(344)
Grant amortisation written back on disposal	16	-	85
Interest payable		140	136
Interest receivable		(35)	(34)
Deficit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	3	(17)	(8)
Operating cashflow before movements in working capital		1,155	527
Increase in Debtors	13	(463)	(114)
Increase in Creditors	14	137	740
Increase in Creditors over 1 year	15	25	-
Net cash generated from operating activities		854	1,153

Note 1b Analysis of changes in net debt

Group

	At Beginning of Year £'000	Cashflows £'000	At End of the Year £'000
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4,911	329	5,240
Housing Loans Due in One Year	(43)	(7)	(50)
Housing Loans Due After One Year	(1771)	(25)	(1,796)
Net Funds	3,097	297	3,394

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Accounting policies

Legal Status

Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited is incorporated in England under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and is registered with the Regulator of Social Housing as a Private Registered Provider of Social Housing. The registered office is Walter Moore House, 34 Dudley Street, West Bromwich B70 9LS. The principal activity of the Association is that of housing support to individuals from vulnerable backgrounds.

Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UK GAAP) including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (FRS 102) and the Statement of Recommended Practice for registered housing providers: Housing SORP 2018. As a public benefit entity, Adullam has applied the public benefit entity 'PBE' prefixed paragraphs of FRS 102.

These financial statements comply with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014, the Housing and Regeneration Act 2008 and the Accounting Direction for Private Registered Providers of Social Housing 2022. The accounts are prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting. Housing properties are stated at cost. The Association does not own any assets classified as financial instruments that require periodic revaluation. Therefore, no modification to the historic cost basis of accounting has been necessary. The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling and are rounded to thousands of pounds.

Basis of Consolidation

A wholly owned subsidiary: Adullam Social Enterprises Community Interest Company 'CIC' was incorporated on and commenced operations on 2 April 2016. The Association has therefore prepared consolidated financial statements from 31 March 2018 onwards. The consolidated financial statements incorporate those of Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited and its subsidiary each year made up to 31 March.

All intra-group transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated on consolidation. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

Reduced Disclosures

In accordance with FRS 102, the Association has taken advantage of the exemptions from the following disclosure requirement in the individual financial statements of Adullam Homes Housing Association Limited;

- Section 7 'Statement of Cash Flows' Presentation of a Statement of Cash Flows and related notes and disclosures.
- Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' & Section 12 'Other Financial Instrument Issues' Carrying amounts, interest income/expense and net gains/losses for each category of financial instrument; basis of determining fair values; details of collateral, loan defaults or breaches; and details of hedges and hedging fair value changes recognised in profit or loss and in other comprehensive income.

Significant management judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st March 2025

the judgments about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

Significant management judgements

The Group's financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which assumes an ability to continue operating for the foreseeable future, based on budgeting and cash flow forecasting for 2024/25 and the first half of 2025/26. There has been no breach in loan covenants and it has been concluded that there is no imminent or likely future breach in borrowing covenants.

An assessment is made at each reporting date of whether there are indications that a fixed asset (including housing properties) may be impaired or that an impairment loss previously recognised has fully or partially reversed. If such indications exist, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the asset.

Other key sources of estimation and assumptions:

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated over their useful lives taking into account residual values, where appropriate. The actual lives of the assets and residual values are assessed annually and may vary depending on a number of factors. In re-assessing asset lives, factors such as technological innovation, product life cycles and maintenance programmes are taken into account. Residual value assessments consider issues such as future market conditions, the remaining life of the asset and projected disposal values.

Turnover and revenue recognition

Turnover represents rental income receivable, amortised capital grant, revenue grants from local authorities and other income and is recognised in relation to the period when the goods or services have been supplied.

Rental income is recognised when the property is available for let, net of voids. Income from property sales is recognised on legal completion. Revenue funding for supporting people is recognised in line with the contractual arrangements.

Support income and costs including revenue funding for supporting people and costs

Revenue funding for supporting people (SP) contract income received from Administering Authorities is accounted for as support income in Turnover as per note 2. The related support costs are matched against this income in the same note.

Service charges

Service charge income and costs are recognised on an accruals basis. The Group operates both fixed and variable service charges on a scheme-by-scheme basis in consultation with residents. Where variable service charges are used the charges will include an allowance for the surplus or deficit from prior years, with the surplus being returned to residents by a reduced charge and a deficit being recovered by a higher charge. Until these are returned or recovered, they are held as creditors or debtors in the Statement of Financial Position.

Where periodic expenditure is required, a provision may be built up over the years, in consultation with the residents; until these costs are incurred this liability is held in the Statement of Financial Position within long term creditors.

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For the year ended 31st March 2025

Loan interest costs

Loan interest costs are calculated using the effective interest method of the difference between the loan amount at initial recognition and amount of maturity of the related loan.

Taxation

The Association has charitable status for taxation purposes and no liability to corporation tax arises on its results for the year. The subsidiary company is subject to corporation tax in the same way as any commercial organisation.

The tax expense represents the sum of the current tax expense and deferred tax expense. Current tax assets are recognised when tax paid exceeds the tax payable.

Current tax is based on taxable profit for the year. Current tax assets and liabilities are measured using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

Value Added Tax

The Group is partially exempt and recovers VAT under a standard partial exemption method.

Intangible fixed assets

Intangible fixed assets comprise capital investment in computer software. Intangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost to its estimated residual value on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

Years

Software 5

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Housing properties

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Housing properties under construction are stated at cost and are not depreciated. These are reclassified as Housing properties on practical completion of construction. Freehold land is not depreciated.

Where a housing property comprises two or more major components with substantially different useful economic lives (UELs), each component is accounted for separately and depreciated over its individual UEL. Expenditure relating to subsequent replacement or renewal of components is capitalised as incurred.

The Group depreciates freehold housing properties by component on a straight-line basis over the estimated UELs of the component categories.

UELs for identified components are as follows:

	Years
Structure	120
Roofs	60
Bathroom	30
Windows	30
Heating	20
Kitchens	20

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For the year ended 31st March 2025

The Group depreciates housing properties held on long term leases in the same manner as freehold properties, except where the unexpired lease term is shorter than the longest component life envisaged, in which case the unexpired term of the lease is adopted as the useful economic life of the relevant component category.

Depreciation is charged on other tangible fixed assets on a straight-line basis over the expected economic useful lives which are as follows:

	Years
Freehold offices	50
Sprinkler systems	20
Furniture and equipment	10
Storage Heaters	10
Doors	10
Velux Windows	10
External Barriers	10
Fire Alarm systems	10
Electrical Showers	10
Office equipment	5
CCTV	5
Motor Vehicles	5
Web Design	3
Mobile Phones	3
Laptops	3

Impairment of fixed assets

Reviews for impairment of housing properties are carried out when a trigger has occurred and any impairment loss in a cash generating unit is recognised by a charge to the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Impairment is recognised where the carrying value of a cash generating unit exceeds the higher of its net realisable value or its value in use. A cash generating unit is normally a group of properties at scheme level whose cash income can be separately identified.

Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts, being the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use of the asset based on its service potential, are recognised as impairment losses in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Recognised impairment losses are reversed if, and only if, the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply. Reversals of impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. On reversal of an impairment loss, the depreciation or amortisation is adjusted to allocate the asset's revised carrying amount (less any residual value) over its remaining useful life.

Property managed by agents

Where the Group carries the majority of the financial risk on property managed by agents, income arising from the property is included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Where the agency carries the majority of the financial risk, income includes only that which relates solely to the Group. In both cases, the assets and associated liabilities are included in the Group's Statement of Financial Position.

Leasing and hire purchase

Annual rentals on operating leases are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

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Stock and properties held for sale

The Group does not hold any significant stocks of materials. Properties which have been identified for sale and are in a state in which a sale could proceed as at the year-end are recorded as a current asset.

Non-government grants

Grants received from non-government sources are recognised under the performance model. If there are no specific performance requirements the grants are recognised when received or receivable. Where grant is received with specific performance requirements it is recognised as a liability until the conditions are met and then it is recognised as Turnover.

Social Housing and other government grants

Where developments have been financed wholly or partly by social housing and other grants, the amount of the grant received has been included as deferred income and recognised in Turnover over the estimated useful life of the associated asset structure and components (not land), under the accruals model. Social Housing Grant (SHG) received for items of cost written off in the Statement of Comprehensive Income Account is included as part of Turnover.

When SHG in respect of housing properties in the course of construction exceeds the total cost to date of those housing properties, the excess is shown as a current liability.

Social Housing and other government grants

SHG must be recycled by the Group under certain conditions, if a property is sold, or if another relevant event takes place. In these cases, the SHG can be used for projects approved by Homes England. However, SHG may have to be repaid if certain conditions are not met. If grant is not required to be recycled or repaid, any unamortised grant is recognised as Turnover. In certain circumstances, SHG may be repayable, and, in that event, is recorded as a subordinated unsecured repayable debt.

Recycling of Capital Grant

Where Social Housing Grant is recycled, as described above, the SHG is credited to a fund which appears as a creditor until used to fund the acquisition of new properties. Where recycled grant is known to be repayable it is shown as a creditor within one year.

Asset Disposals

Asset disposals are recognised upon the unconditional exchange of contracts relating to the disposal.

Employee benefits

A liability is recognised to the extent of any unused holiday pay entitlement which has accrued at the balance sheet date and carried forward to future periods. This is measured at the undiscounted salary cost of the future holiday entitlement so accrued at the year end.

The best estimate of the expenditure required to settle an obligation for termination benefits is recognised immediately as an expense when the Group is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

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Retirement benefits

The cost of providing pensions and related benefits is charged to management costs over the periods benefiting from the employees' services. All pension arrangements in which the Group participates are defined contribution schemes.

Reserves

The Association carries two types of reserves;

- a) Restricted reserve and
- b) Unrestricted reserves

Restricted Reserve

The following restricted reserve is held as follows:

a) Welfare Fund

Unrestricted Reserves

The total unrestricted reserve is represented by the income and expenditure reserve shown in the financial statements. As at 31 March 2025 this amounted to £12,497,000 (31 March 2024: £11,818,000). This balance is accumulated net surplus that Adullam Homes and ASE has generated since its formation in July 1972.

As a housing group owning a portfolio of properties, most of the surplus generated has been re-invested into maintaining its property stock.

The Group has a reserves policy which is renewed annually. The policy identifies the Group unrestricted, unencumbered cash backed reserves as equivalent to the net current assets of the Group. As at 31 March 2025 this amounted to £5,240,000 (31 March 2024: £4,911,000).

This policy aims to build unrestricted, unencumbered cash backed reserves up to sum representing three months' expenditure plus a buffer of 10% at year end. This would currently amount to approximately £4,560,000 (31 March 2024: £4,110,000).

The policy is read in conjunction with the Association Treasury Management policy, which stipulated a minimum cash holding of £3m.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument, and are offset only when the Group currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets

Debtors

Debtors which are receivable within one year and which do not constitute a financing transaction are initially measured at the transaction price. Such debtors are subsequently measured at amortised cost, being the transaction price less any amounts settled and any impairment losses.

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Where the arrangement with a debtor constitutes a financing transaction, the debtor is initially and subsequently measured at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

A provision for impairment of debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the amounts due will not be collected according to the original terms of the contract. Impairment losses are recognised in income and expenditure for the excess of the carrying value of the debtor over the present value of the future cash flows discounted using the original effective interest rate. Subsequent reversals of an impairment loss that objectively relate to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised, are recognised immediately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Financial liabilities

Creditors

Trade and other creditors payable within one year that do not constitute a financing transaction are initially measured at the transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost, being the transaction price less any amounts settled.

Where the arrangement with a creditor constitutes a financing transaction, the creditor is initially and subsequently measured at the present value of future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar instrument.

Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at the transaction price, including transaction costs, and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and other similar charges.

Derecognition of financial assets and liabilities

A financial asset is derecognised only when the contractual rights to cash flows expire or are settled, or substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are transferred to another party, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party. A financial liability (or part thereof) is derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

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2a. Particulars of turnover, cost of sales, operating costs and operating surplus – Group

		2025	
		Operating	Operating
	Turnover	costs	surplus
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Social housing lettings (note 2b)	18,627	(17,825)	802
Other social housing activities	163	(59)	104
Total	18,790	(17,884)	906
		2024	
		Operating	Operating
	Turnover	costs	surplus
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Social housing lettings (note 2b)	16,725	(16,641)	84
Other social housing activities	113	(14)	99
Total	16,838	(16,655)	183

The above amounts for the Association differ by turnover of £61,000 and operating costs of £59,000 in respect of Adullam Social Enterprises CIC.

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2b. Particulars of Income and Expenditure from social housing lettings – Group and Association

All Supported Housing	2025 Total £'000	2024 Total £'000
Income		
Rents receivable	4,206	3,877
Service charge income	10,136	8,777
Amortised government grant	167	173
Other grants	307	328
Support Services/Supporting People	3,811	3,570
Turnover from social housing lettings	18,627	16,725
Expenditure		
Service charge costs	7,770	6,651
Management	2,700	2,566
Care and Support Costs	3,277	3,069
Routine maintenance	758	836
Bad debts	398	832
Leased Charges	2,473	2,266
Depreciation of housing properties	320	319
Depreciation of other fixed assets	129	102
Operating costs	17,825	16,641
Operating surplus social housing lettings	802	84
Void losses	393	441

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3. (Deficit)/Surplus on disposal of property, plant and equipment

	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Disposal proceeds	-	550
Costs of sale	(17)	(214)
(Deficit)/Surplus on disposal	(17)	336
4. Interest and finance costs		
	2025	2024
	£'000	£'000
Bank loans repayable in more than five years	140	136
On late payment of supplier invoices	-	-
	140	136
5. Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation		
Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation is stated		
after charging/(crediting):	2025	2024
	£'000	£'000
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	449	421
Amortisation of Grant	(167)	(176)
Audit fees:		
- Statutory audit	26	25
- Audit-related assurance services Operating lease rentals	- 2,473	2 2,266
	-	

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6. Staff costs

	2025 £'000 Group	2024 £'000 Group	2025 £'000 Association	2024 £'000 Association
Wages and salaries	7,362	6,279	6,303	5,626
Social security costs	590	511	580	498
Pensions and other costs	157	144	153	140
Redundancy and severance	17	50	17	50
	8,126	6,984	7,053	6,314

The Full Time Equivalent number of staff who received emoluments, including pension contribution, in excess of £60,000 were as shown below.

excess of Eou,000 were as shown below.	2025 Number	2024 Number
Salary Band £'		
60,000 – 69,999	1	-
70,000 – 79,999	2	2
80,000 – 89,999	1	1
90,000-99,999	-	-
100,000-109,999	1	1
The Association average full-time equivalent number of employees was:		
	2025 Number	2024 Number
The average number of persons employed during the year expressed in full time equivalents (37.5 hours per week)	213	206

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7. Directors' remuneration and transactions

Key management personnel remuneration

Directors who are executive staff members	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Wages and salaries	195	186
Social security costs	26	24
Other pension costs	10	9
Compensation for loss of office Estimated money value of any other benefits otherwise	-	-
than in cash	11	11
Board members		
Wages and salaries	30	30
Social security costs	-	-
Other pension costs		
	272	260
Directors are defined as the members of the Board, Chief Executive, Director of Operations and Director of Housing.		
	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Remuneration of the highest paid director, excluding pension contributions:		
Emoluments	107	102

The Chief Executive is an ordinary member of the pension scheme. No enhanced or special terms apply.

8. Taxation

The Association has charitable status for taxation purposes and no liability to corporation tax arises on its results for the year.

Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C corporation tax over accrual of £733 for 2023/24, plus an accrual of £1,387 provision for 24/25. (£533: 2024)

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9. Intangible fixed assets - software

Group and Association

droup and Association	Total
	£'000
Cost	
At 1 April 2024	349
Additions	-
Disposals	
As at 31 March 2025	349
Amortisation	
At 1 April 2024	341
Charge for the year	6
Eliminated on disposals	-
As at 31 March 2025	347
Net book value	
As at 31 March 2025	2
As at 31 March 2024	8

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10. Tangible fixed assets – housing properties

Group and Association	Completed properties £'000	Under construction £'000	Total £'000
Cost or valuation At 1 April 2024 Completed properties acquired	26,378 -	- -	26,378 -
Components capitalised Works to existing properties	208	- 55	263
Disposals Transfers from Properties held for Sale	(78)	-	(78)
At 31 March 2025	26,508	55	26,563
Depreciation At 1 April 2024 Charge for the year Eliminated on disposals Transfers from Properties held for Sale	5,831 299 (62)	- - - -	5,831 299 (62) -
At 31 March 2024	6,068	-	6,068
Net book value At 31 March 2025	20,440	55	20,495
At 31 March 2024	20,547	-	20,547

All works to existing Housing properties relate to capitalised expenditure on components. During the year replacements were made to heating systems, kitchens, bathrooms, and windows.

The net book value of completed freehold land and buildings at 31st March 2025 was £19,825,155 (2024: £19,919,282) and £614,845 (2024: £625,393) in respect of long leasehold land and buildings.

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11. Property, plant and equipment – other

Freehold £'000	Fixtures and fittings £'000	Motor Vehicles £'000	Total £′000
1,052	1,215	67	2,335
-	144	61	205
-	(12)	_	(12)
1,052	1,347	127	2,527
		-	
313	698	37	1,048
22	103	21	146
-	(1)	-	(1)
335	800	58	1,193
717	547	69	1,334
739	517	30	1,286
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12. Investments

The Association's subsidiary undertaking Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C is owned through virtue of control. Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C is a company limited by guarantee and as such does not have share capital.

13. Debtors

	Group)	Associat	ion
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Rent arrears	1,517	1,010	1,517	1,010
Provision for bad debts	(1,067)	(712)	(1,067)	(711)
Trade debtors	774	693	774	685
Prepayments and accrued income	820	577	820	577
Other debtors	18	32	15	25
Amounts owed by Group undertakings	-	-	-	-
	2,062	1,600	2,059	1,586

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14. Creditors – amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Associati	ion
	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Bank loans (note 19)	50	43	50	43
Trade creditors	1,022	1,118	1,021	1,113
Rents received in advance	582	586	582	586
Other taxation and social security	248	210	186	184
Accruals and deferred income	913	638	865	623
Recycled Capital Grant (note 17)	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	57	139	57	139
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	-	-	44	23
	2,872	2,734	2,805	2,711

15. Creditors – amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group	Group		on
	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Loans (note 19)	1,796	1,771	1,796	1,771
Recycled Capital Grant (note 17) Costs of Raising Loans	168 (44)	168 (45)	168 (44)	168 (45)
	1,920	1,894	1,920	1,894

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16. Deferred income - Government grants	Group	1	Association		
<u> </u>	2025	2024	2025	2024	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
At 1 April 2024	11,731	11,914	11,731	11,914	
Grants receivable/reallocated	· -	76	, -	76	
Amortisation to Statement of Comprehensive Income	(167)	(171)	(167)	(171)	
Disposals	-	(173)	-	(173)	
Grant amortisation written back on disposal	-	85	-	85	
At 31 March 2025	11,564	11,731	11,564	11,731	
Net deferred income – Government grants					
Due within one year	163	167	163	167	
Due after one year	11,401	11,564	11,401	11,564	
At 31 March 2025	11,564	11,731	11,564	11,731	
47 Described Conited Count Found	C		Ai - t-	·	
17. Recycled Capital Grant Fund	Group		Associat		
	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	
At 1 April 2024	168	76	168	76	
Grants released on disposal	-	168	-	168	
Grants recycled	-	(76)	-	(76)	
At 31 March 2025	168	168	168	168	
Net deferred income – Government grants					
Due within one year	160	160	160	100	
Due after one year	168	168	168	168	
At 31 March 2025	168	168	168	168	
18. Grant and financial assistance	Group		Associat		
	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	
Held as deferred capital grant	11,564	11,731	11,564	11,731	
Recognised as income in revenue reserves	5,684	5,517	5,684	5,517	
Held in Recycled Capital Grant	168	168	168	168	
Total accumulated government grant and financial assistance	17,416	17,416	17,416	17,416	

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19. Analysis of debt repayments

Borrowings are repayable as follows:

	Group		Group Association		ion
	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	
Bank loans					
Between one and two years	73	49	73	49	
Between two and five years	253	232	253	232	
After five years	1,470	1,490	1,470	1,490	
	1,796	1,771	1,796	1,771	
On demand or within one year	50	43	50	43	
	1,846	1,814	1,846	1,814	
		:			

Loans are secured by specific charges on the Association's individual housing properties. The loans are repayable monthly at varying rates of interest and are due to be repaid in 2032, 2037 and 2048.

£165,716 (Orchardbrook Ltd) (31st March 2024 £178,275) repayable quarterly for 31 years commencing in 2000; interest rate 10.9625%.

£604,796 (Triodos bank) (31st March 2024 £635,670) repayable monthly for 25 years; interest rate of 3% above base rate.

£1,075,000 (Charity bank) (31st March 2024 £1,000,000) repayable monthly for 25 years; interest rate of 2.25% above base rate.

20. Pension Obligations

The Group operates a defined contribution pension scheme which targets a guaranteed basic sum, evaluated on contributions up to the year of retirement. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Group, in trustee administered funds. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the period to which they relate. Separate to the Pension Scheme, there is also a death in service insurance scheme. The scheme provides benefits equal to four times an employee's final salary.

The total cost of employer pension contributions for the year ended 31st March 2025 was £156,749 (2024: £144,365)

An amount of £9,294was payable to the fund at the year end and is included in creditors payable within one year (2024: £7,866).

The Chief Executive is an ordinary member of the pension scheme. No special terms apply. The Association does not contribute to any other pension arrangement for the Chief Executive.

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21. Financial instruments

The carrying values of the Group and Association's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value are summarised by category below:

	Group		
	2025	2024	
	£'000	£'000	
Financial assets			
Measured at amortisation cost	1,409	1,554	
Financial liabilities			
Measured at amortisation cost	3,446	3,506	
22. Share capital	2025 £	2024 £	
At beginning of year Issued during the year Cancelled during the year	18 - -	18 - -	
At end of year	18	18	

The value of each share is £1. The shares do not have a right to any dividend or distribution in a winding-up and are not redeemable. Each share has full voting rights.

23. Financial commitments

Operating lease commitments:

The Group hold properties and office equipment under non-cancellable operating leases. Total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Group		Association	
	2025 £'000	2024 £'000	2025 £'000	2024 £'000
Payments due: -				
- within one year	937	764	937	764
- between one and five years	223	87	223	87
- after five years	727	222	727	222
	1,887	1,073	1,887	1,073

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24. Housing stock

Group and Association	2025 Number	2024 Number
Owned and managed		
Supported housing accommodation General needs housing accommodation	659 117	752 19
	776	771
Managed by Others	23	23

25. Related party transactions

During the year Adullam Homes Housing Association had the following transactions with non-regulated entities which form part of the Group.

Subsidiary/Non-Regulated Entity	Transaction	2025	2024
		£'000	£'000
Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C (ASE)	Management charge to ASE	10	10
	Agency charges for staff time from ASE	1,255	736

Recharges are made at cost. Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C is a wholly owned subsidiary incorporated in England on 2 April 2016.

At 31 March 2025 between Adullam Homes Housing Association and Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C, non-regulated entity which forms part of the Group:

	2025	2024	
	£'000	£'000	
Adullam Homes Housing Association Ltd owed Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C	44	23	
Adullam Social Enterprises C.I.C owed Adullam Homes Housing Association Ltd	-	-	

26. Legislative provisions

The Association is incorporated in England under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 and is a Private Registered Provider of Social Housing.